

Purge Unlikely

McClellan Okeh
Rough on Rats

Earlier this week the Arkansas Gazette printed a political story saying it was rumored around Little Rock that Senator John L. McClellan might wait up this summer and find a strong candidate opposing him for re-election—all because the senator was helping lead the Southern revolt against President Truman.

The story stated that this move would keep McClellan too busy at home to give any help to the anti-Tunian men.

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The American grand strategy is good; the tactics are not. Thus far the enemy—and the time has passed for a better word—can claim most of the victories. The reason is not hard to find.

Under the Russian dictatorship the discipline of peace and war is identical. Nobody argues or filibusters or votes the Russian and considers the Kremlin his enemy. The Kremlin is his enemy. The Soviet government is unmistakably preparing for war. The American government has already begun to use its economic weapons, and it has used them rather badly. In spite of American aid, the situation in Greece is rather worse than better. In spite of our aid, the situation in China is rather worse than better. Beyond that the American government has talked without setting.

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We are threatened with shooting war. But our reserves of personnel and production are dispersed and inadequate. After the fall of Czechoslovakia (and its armament factories) the United States Military Affairs Committee did consider last year to begin hearings on a universal military training bill. But the House version of that bill lies buried in the Rules Committee, on the whim of a few men.

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20 Years Ago Today

Dan Hartness of Eads D'Arc township announced as a candidate for circuit clerk. He resides at Fulton Street and E. W. Burns captured a large still near Patton's this morning. The Congressional Medal of Honor will be awarded to Charles A. Lindbergh, 10 months after he made his non-stop flight from New York to Paris. The junior play "Charm School" directed by Elizabeth Doane, will be presented in Hope's new \$100,000 City Hall—Julia Chester hospital league committee included Mrs. S. P. Henry, chairman, Mrs. A. A. Hodge and Mrs. C. S. Ligonier.

Coal Operators May File Suit Against Lewis

Washington, March 19—(UP)—Soft coal producers today raised the threat of a huge damage suit against John L. Lewis unless he ends the five-day pension strike by his United Mine Workers.

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Under the Taft-Hartley law, unions may be sued for damages for breach of contract or unfair labor practices. One source said that if the coal industry carried out the threat, it might result in the biggest damage suit ever filed against a union.

Industry sources said the strike has cost the nation 3,000,000 tons of coal and coal consuming industries were feeling the effects. Many companies were curtailing work schedules and hundreds of railroad employees were laid off.

The government ordered a 25 percent cut in passenger service on coal-burning trains effective at midnight Sunday, and also suspended licenses to export coal after that time.

Informed quarters expected the increasing gravity of the industrial picture to bring early White House intervention if Lewis fails to order his men back to work.

Cyrus S. Ching, federal media director, conferred late yesterday with White House aides. He reportedly cleared the way for Mr. Truman to invoke the emergency provisions of the Taft-Hartley law, the last step would be creation of a board of inquiry. After receiving the board's report, the president could ask a federal court injunction to halt the strike for at least 90 days.

Meanwhile, Lewis and mine owners spokesman Ezra Van Horn met demands of a joint congressional labor management committee for information on the dispute over pensions for miners. The committee refused to divulge contents of their statements.

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Appearance of Martins Means Spring Is Here

The first Martins arrived this year on March 1st and according to the farmers this is the first indication of Spring. The bird comes first, circling around for a day or so and then returned about March 15 with a large colony of birds. This flight was seen here. These birds spend the winter in Brazil and in early spring start North as far as Alaska, but do not reach their destination until the latter part of May on the emigration flight. The Martins are welcomed by the farmers, as they protect their houses from the birds. In the older days, the Martins protected these birds and made nests for them out of gourds, which were hung in the trees for their protection.

There probably will be another cold spell before Easter, and even a home in Hope should have "Martin boxes" for their protection when the cold spell returns. Generally go a short distance South again, but soon return on the migratory flight North. Another sign that the martins are arriving is when the geese and ducks leave their victims for the North during the warmer months in the year.

Music Club Organized in 1929

The Friday Music Club was organized in 1929 by Mrs. Talbot Field, the same year the Choral Club was organized as a part of the Friday Music Club. Under the direction of Mrs. Field, for several years, the Choral Club became the "pulse" of the Music Club.

Mrs. J. C. Carlton succeeded Mrs. Field as director, with 18 members, singing on programs in the schools and at entertainments of various kinds.

The third director to lead the Club was Mrs. Margaret Wellman. Under her direction the Club sang at the National and State U.D.C. conventions, and won the silver cup at the Apple Blossom Festival in Little Rock.

The next leader of the Club was Mrs. M. C. Butler, now living in Texarkana.

Following Mrs. Butler was Mrs. B. W. Edwards, who directed the Club for several years, followed by Mrs. D. H. Pickard, who served one and one-half years.

The Club is now directed by Mrs. Glenn Walker, and will give a group of songs on the program March 29, when the Friday Music Club presents Mr. Sautser, a violinist, at Hope High School.

Italian nobles of the 15th Century often bolstered their self-esteem by stamping coats of arms on pavement tiles where passers-by could see them.

Smuts Calls for 'Man to Man' Conferences

Capetown, South Africa, March 19.—(UP)—Premier Jan C. Smuts suggested today that the great powers speak to one another as "man to man" in an attempt to clear up their misunderstandings.

"We do not want to stifle in darkness toward another world war," Smuts told the South African Senate.

"We are living under a thick cloud, and cannot see backwards or forwards."

Smuts observed that none knew Russia's position, and added that Russia was just as much in the dark about the Western nations.

He said the Soviets might have to defend themselves against the West, and in turn the Western powers have said they must defend themselves against Communism.

Group Votes More Aid to Greece, Turks

Washington, March 19—(UP)—The program was approved formally today by the House Foreign Affairs committee, and a Senate committee voted \$275,000,000 military help for Greece and Turkey.

The House Committee agreed to act during the afternoon on military aid for Greece and Turkey and also on economic and military help for China.

The committee finished the European program by a 14 to 8 vote. Greek members said was strictly along party lines.

Democrats objected to putting European aid and help for the Greeks, Turks and Chinese all in one bill. The plan was approved by the committee's Republican leaders.

Before the formal okay on the European program, the committee made some changes in the measure passed earlier by the Senate.

One is intended to see to it that the 16 receiving nations do not take American materials and turn them into products to be sold to Russia and to her satellites when this country would decline to sell them itself.

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Senator George (D-Ga.) told a reporter the 13 senators lined up unanimously for the full amount. President Truman asked for the Greeks and Turks.

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Contributions to County Red Cross

Previously reported \$22,200.10

Hope Brick Works and	50.00
Mrs. R. L. Gossell	1.00
Mrs. E. O. Wingfield	1.00
Mrs. M. T. S. McDavitt	10.00
Mrs. Nora Carrigan	10.00
Mrs. F. E. White	1.00
Mrs. C. D. Lester	5.00
Mrs. Ross Gillespie	5.00
Mrs. S. L. Bracy	1.00
Dr. Alice Barlow Brown	10.00
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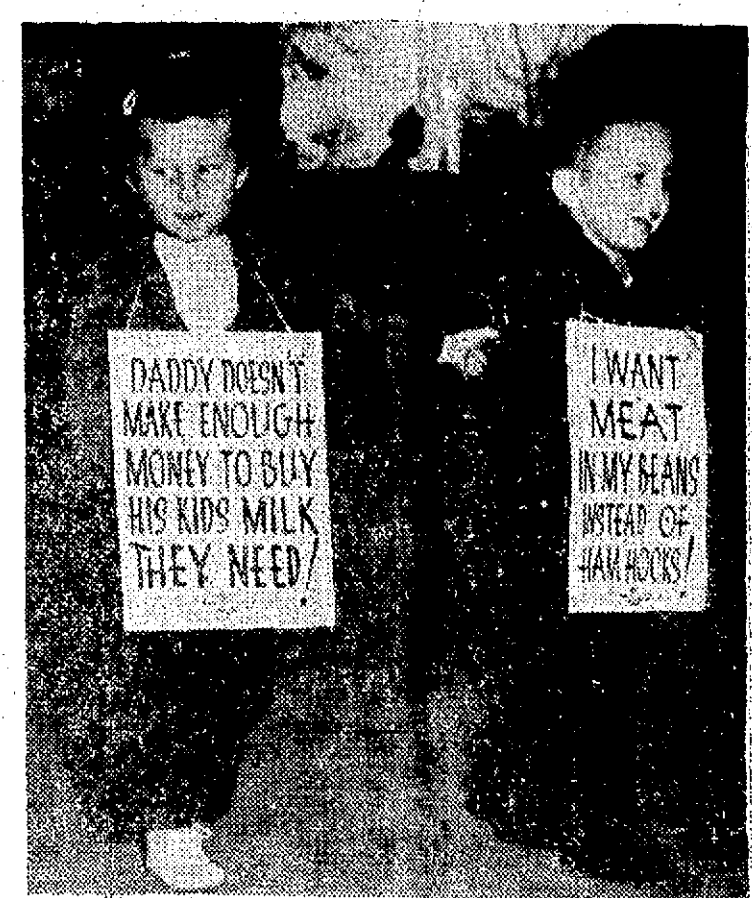
Donations 3-18-48 99.90

Total \$22,299.10

BULLETIN

Julie Success, March 19—(UP)—The United States today asked the United Nations to shelve the plan to partition Palestine. Instead a temporary United Nations trusteeship would be placed over the Holy Land.

Kids on Picket Lines



Even the kids are helping out on the picket lines in Fort Worth, Texas, where the United Packinghouse Workers are on strike. Here, two junior pickets begin their walking tour. At left is Miss Frances Langford, 3½ and at right is Mr. Larry Larry Bunch, 3½.

Draft Service Looks at War Registrations

Washington, March 19—(UP)—Selective Service officials took a long look at their old wartime registrations today to see whether they might be used again if Congress restores the draft law.

Without fanfare, national headquarters of the Office of Selective Service records, pulled a "pilot" of some 225,000 Washington registrants of the last draft to see how much time and money such a draw on a national scale would require.

Best unofficial opinion is that both time and money would be saved if Selective Service—operating under a revived draft law—would set up a brand new registration of U.S. males 18 to 25 years of age. The alternative is to check through some 50,000,000 draft files spread through 48 state offices to find what eligible manpower would be turned up.

The pilot test was conducted by Lt. Col. Michael R. London, chief of OSSR's records and research. It was made at the suggestion of Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, OSSR director, and the man who supervised the draft of 10,000,000 Americans in the last war.

The task was simplified by the fact that London's staff was looking only for buff colored registration cards. These represented the 18 to 25 year olds who registered in the fifth draft call of June 30, 1942, and in the subsequent sixth call for all males whenever they reached 18 years of age.

The oldest in these categories were now in the 25 to 29 age bracket. His sampling should not extend back to the fourth registration which was for men between 45 and 64.

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Opposition in School Election on Saturday

In tomorrow's general school election two Hope District Board members are seeking reelection have opposition. Every district in the county will vote Saturday.

Present members W. B. Ruggles and Clifford Franks are opposed by J. Mack Duffie and Foy Hammons.

People Will Believe Any Story About a Black Eye Except the Actual Truth

By HAL BOYLE
New York—(AP)—George Washington never told a lie. That's what the story books say. If he didn't, it is doubtful whether the father of his country ever would have won his reputation. For there would have been no use for him to say "I bumped into a door," "the cat scratched me," or "I tripped and fell and cracked my head."

Even Congress would not have believed him, and a lot of old neighbors would have gone around shaking their heads and telling each other: "You know, I never believed that story about George cutting down the cherry tree either. But he hired somebody to do it."

The truth is that honesty is never the best policy in explaining the accidental cuts, bumps and bruises that come down on a normal life. The best policy is to tell the truth. Because of this our whole faith is based on the theory that no nishap can befall a man going about the ordinary chores of living. If he does get a black eye, "Oh, oh, he must have been up to some monkey business."

I am bringing up all this because I have a "bump-out" on the back of my head myself. I got it last week on a visit to friends in beat down to inspect a bear trap being shown me by a mountaineer.

U. S. Has Plenty Atomic Bombs to Meet Emergency

Washington, March 19—(UP)—The United States is making atomic bombs on a scale calculated to meet any emergency, an authoritative source said today.

This source said bomb production was being pushed long before President Truman made his stop-Russia preparedness speech to Congress this week.

He pointed out that the Atomic Energy Act of 1946 gives the Atomic Energy Commission the authority to "assure the common defense and security."

"Bomb production," he added, "never has been a 'peacetime' basis. It can be assumed that it is going ahead full blast."

For that reason, he continued, it is unlikely that the Atomic Energy Commission will have to go to Congress for any extra money in order to keep pace with preparedness efforts on other fronts.

The commission, he said, asked for and received in current appropriations enough money not only to manufacture bombs at capacity but also to improve production methods and weapon designs.

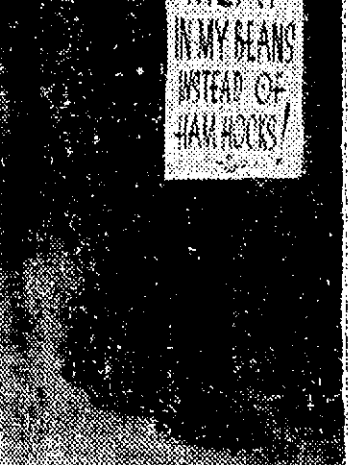
This is in line with frequently repeated statements of recent months by Chairman David E. Lilienthal and other commission members.

Since the commission took over the \$3,000,000,000 atomic project on Jan. 1, 1947, developments in weapon design have made it necessary to set up a secret proving ground at Eniwetok atoll in the western Pacific.

Test installations have been built and tests have been or are about to be carried out. Eniwetok and the ocean around it have been oiled out of bounds to all sea and air traffic and to all unauthorized persons, American as well as foreign, since Jan. 30.

Outside the military and the commission itself, the only persons being informed of what goes on at Eniwetok are members of the House-Senate Atomic Committee headed by Sen. Bourke B. Hickenlooper, R., Ia.

To everybody else the tests are "top secret."



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Get Poison for Rat Campaign

Hempstead County farmers expect to kill off the rat population which has been costing them hard-earned dollars. Work of the rat campaign, planned by County Agent Oliver L. Adams for "Kill Rats" day, March 31, has spread rapidly and many of them were from ratservants asking him to get out to avoid being caled up.

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Auto Owned by Local Man Stolen at Prescott

A 1946 Nash owned by Homer Harrison of Hope, was stolen at Prescott after 9 p.m. last night, it was reported today. The Harrison's were visiting relatives when the theft occurred.

State Police also reported auto thefts at Arkadelphia and North Little Rock last night.

Tornadoes in Two States Kill 9, Injure 200

St. Louis, March 19—(UP)—Tornadoes, striking scattered points in eastern Missouri and Southern Illinois, today killed at least nine persons and injured more than 200.

Five persons were killed at Gillespie, Ill., 33 miles northeast of St. Louis, and four at Fosterburg, Ill., which was leveled by the storm.

In addition, three persons were believed to have been killed at Beetham, Ill., about 20 miles north-east of St. Louis.

The Twister struck first near Union, Mo., then arched over the Mississippi river north of St. Louis and struck with great force between Alton and Gillespie, Ill. Winds of great velocity were reported at numerous other towns from Bonne Terre, Mo., north to points beyond Gillespie, a distance of about 80 miles.

At Gillespie, a town of about 2,000 population, Mayor deFroy reported that "the town was a mess."

Litchfield, Ill., was also reported hit. Telephone communications were disrupted there as well as at Hillsboro, Mo., and Alton, Mo. Telephone Co. said it was handling only emergency medical calls into Litchfield.

Frey said the storm had left such wreckage at Gillespie it was difficult getting around. He said a soup kitchen had been set up in a church and a refugee center at a high school building.

The Red Cross chartered four planes at Springfield, Ill., to fly blood plasma to the stricken area.

The midwestern disaster office of the Red Cross in St. Louis was receiving calls from many Missouri and Illinois.

Beaufort and Jeffriesburg, near Union, reported heavy damage and reports from Jeffriesburg to the Red Cross were that 10 or 12 persons were injured.

M. F. Seyffert, head of the Red Cross chapter at Bankers Hill, Mo., reported the town of 1,300 population was 80 per cent destroyed or damaged and asked for army field hospital.

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Senate Trims House Passed Income Tax Bill

Washington, March 19—(UP)—The Senate voted today to trim \$1,000,000 from a House-approved \$8,500,000,000 reduction in personal income taxes.

The Senate adopted a Finance Committee amendment to the House bill. The amendment was approved by a voice vote.

It reduces the overall amount of the proposed tax reduction to \$4,600,000,000.

Republican senators decided to whittle down the House figure in an effort to win enough Democratic support to override an anticipated veto by President Truman.

Chairman Eugene D. Millikin, R., Colo., of the Senate Finance Committee offered the amendment as the Republican leadership pressed for Senate approval of the House-approved bill by nightfall.

Democratic leaders conceded the Senate would pass the bill by a large majority.

The Senate Finance Committee lowered the amount of the overall reduction by scaling down percentage cuts. The House approved percentage cuts ranging from 30 to 10 percent. The committee made them 12.7 to 5 percent.

Recruiters Report Hike in Enlistments

By United Press
Armed forces recruiting stations today reported an increase in enlistments as a result of President Truman's message to Congress.

Many recruiting offices reported sharp increases in the number of applicants, but the trend was mixed. Others reported only normal enlistments and a few said the number had fallen off.

Almost all recruiting stations across the country were flooded with telephone inquiries yesterday. Many of the calls, however, were from veterans asking if they could go back in with their old rank.

At least one recruit, a veteran, can re-enlist in the army if he does so within 90 days after his discharge.

One of the sharpest increases in enlistments was reported at Minneapolis, where six times the normal number joined the army yesterday.

In New York City, where army enlistments average 75 per day, 80 signed up Wednesday, the day Mr. Truman told Congress that the nation must build up its strength to meet a crisis.

But marine corps enlistments dropped from 16 last Thursday to eight Wednesday and three yesterday. Here was no increase in regular army enlistments. Naval reserve applications jumped 75 per cent in New York.

At Dallas, Tex., applications for enlistment in the army yesterday marked increase in applications was reported, however, by the marine corps or navy.

All three branches of the armed service reported a normal day in Chicago yesterday, but telephone inquiries from veterans kept recruiting offices busy. Nearly half the calls to army recruiting stations in Chicago were from women seeking to join the WAC.

Denver reported that army enlistments Wednesday—the biggest number for a single day since 1945. At Omaha, Neb., the navy enlisted 11 men yesterday and 16 Tuesday, compared with six last Thursday.

The army recruiting office at Omaha had to put an extra man on answering the telephone.

The navy, too, said there had been a "tremendous number" of inquiries, but many of them were from reservists asking him to get out to avoid being caled up.

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Litchfield, Ill., was also reported hit. Telephone communications were disrupted there as well as at Hillsboro, Mo., and Alton, Mo. Telephone Co. said it was handling only emergency medical calls into Litchfield.

Frey said the storm had left such wreckage at Gillespie it was difficult getting around. He said a soup kitchen had been set up in a church and a refugee center at a high school building.

The Red Cross chartered four planes at Springfield, Ill., to fly blood plasma to the stricken area.

The midwestern disaster office of the Red Cross in St. Louis was receiving calls from many Missouri and Illinois.

Beaufort and Jeffriesburg, near Union, reported heavy damage and reports from Jeffriesburg to the Red Cross were that 10 or 12 persons were injured.

M. F. Seyffert, head of the Red Cross chapter at Bankers Hill, Mo., reported the town of 1,300 population was 80 per cent destroyed or damaged and asked for army field hospital.

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Senate Trims House Passed Income Tax Bill

Washington, March 19—(UP)—The Senate voted today to trim \$1,000,000 from a House-approved \$8,500,000,000 reduction in personal income taxes.

The Senate adopted a Finance Committee amendment to the House bill. The amendment was approved by a voice vote.

It reduces the overall amount of the proposed tax reduction to \$4,600,000,000.

Republican senators decided to whittle down the House figure in an effort to win enough Democratic support to override an anticipated veto by President Truman.

Chairman Eugene D. Millikin, R., Colo., of the Senate Finance Committee offered the amendment as the Republican leadership pressed for Senate approval of the House-approved bill by nightfall.

Democratic leaders conceded the Senate would pass the bill by a large majority.

The Senate Finance Committee lowered the amount of the overall reduction by scaling down percentage cuts. The House approved percentage cuts ranging from 30 to 10 percent. The committee made them 12.7 to 5 percent.

Recruiters Report Hike in Enlistments

By United Press
Armed forces recruiting stations today reported an increase in enlistments as a result of President Truman's message to Congress.

Many recruiting offices reported sharp increases in the number of applicants, but the trend was mixed. Others reported only normal enlistments and a few said the number had fallen off.

Almost all recruiting stations across the country were flooded with telephone inquiries yesterday. Many of the calls, however, were from veterans asking if they could go back in with their old rank.

At least one recruit, a veteran, can re-enlist in the army if he does so within 90 days after his discharge.

One of the sharpest increases in enlistments was reported at Minneapolis, where six times the normal number joined the army yesterday.

In New York City, where army enlistments average 75 per day, 80 signed up Wednesday, the day Mr. Truman told Congress that the nation must build up its strength to meet a crisis.

But marine corps enlistments dropped from 16 last Thursday to eight Wednesday and three yesterday. Here was no increase in regular army enlistments. Naval reserve applications jumped 75 per cent in New York.

At Dallas, Tex., applications for enlistment in the army yesterday marked increase in applications was reported, however, by the marine corps or navy.

All three branches of the armed service reported a normal day in Chicago yesterday, but telephone inquiries from veterans kept recruiting offices busy. Nearly half the calls to army recruiting stations in Chicago were from women seeking to join the WAC.

Denver reported that army enlistments Wednesday—the biggest number for a single day since 1945. At Omaha, Neb., the navy enlisted 11 men yesterday and 16 Tuesday, compared with six last Thursday.

The army recruiting office at Omaha had to put an extra man on answering the telephone.

The navy, too, said there had been a "tremendous number" of inquiries, but many of them were from reservists asking him to get out to avoid being caled up.

Increased inquiries but normal enlistments were reported by Atlanta, Ga., Pittsburgh, Hartford, Conn., Kansas City, Cleveland, Madison, Wis., Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Columbus, O., and Dayton, O.

Increased enlistments were reported by San Francisco, Birmingham, Ala., Des Moines, Ia., Albuquerque, N. M., and Albany, N.Y.

Walls Bid Open Threat by the Reds

There is no question but what the Communists inspired and backed the third-party candidacy of Henry Wallace, a former FBI agent, told Hope Rotary club at its luncheon today noon in Hotel Barlow.

The speaker, Henry Woods of Texarkana, said that Wallace was first bombed by the Committee on Arts, Sciences & Professions, a Communist front organization, which later became the Progressive Citizens of America, the group which is behind Wallace's candidacy for president.

"Mr. Woods went on to tell the club members how the Communists had impregnated an international electrical and radio workers' union, but how Philip Murray kept them out of the CIO steel union, and John L. Lewis barred them from the United Mine Workers. Mr. Woods told of the successful fight of the AFL craft unions to keep clear of the Communists."

Mr. Woods spoke on a program arranged by E. P. O'Neal.

Club guests were: S. E. Sprang, Texarkana; Rev. Bert Webb, Springfield, Mo.; Rev. H. Paul Holdridge, Hope; Earl Ornelough, Tyler, Texas; Tom Ross, Wellington, Kas.; Ted Jim Monon, White Water, Kas.; J. M. Huddleston, Shreveport; and H. T. Baber, Arkadelphia.

Get Poison for Rat Campaign

Hempstead County farmers expect to kill off the rat population which has been costing them hard-earned dollars. Work of the rat campaign, planned by County Agent Oliver L. Adams for "Kill Rats" day, March 31, has spread rapidly and many of them were from ratservants asking him to get out to avoid being caled up.

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Auto Owned by Local Man Stolen at Prescott

A 1946 Nash owned by Homer Harrison of Hope, was stolen at Prescott after 9 p.m. last night, it was reported today. The Harrison's were visiting relatives when the theft occurred.

State Police also reported

French Act to Prevent Any Red Coup

Paris, March 19 — (UP)—France embarked today on a program of internal security to insure the nation against a Communist coup of the type that befell Czechoslovakia.

Following the lead of the Interior Minister Jules Moch called the "calm" before the storm, the National Assembly approved appointment of eight inspectors general to coordinate police and army activities.

The assembly also moved yesterday to eject Communists from the French Atomic Energy Research Council, but the suggestion was balked temporarily when Communists started a fist fight in the assembly chambers.

Moch said the new interior department inspectors would operate with wide powers in zones of action coinciding with military regions, securing coordination between military and civil authorities in event of an attempted coup or nationwide strike.

It is better to improvise in difficult circumstances or prepare in calm periods," he asked the assembly. "The duty of a government worthy of its name is to take necessary measures in advance to defend republican institutions."

This bill aims simply to turn to good account the lesson of certain recent experiences in France and other even more recent experiences abroad.

The bill passed 414 to 183. Fighting in the national assembly developed over what was believed to be a reference to Fredrick Joliot-Curie, identified by the Communist morning newspaper L'Humanite as a member of the Communist party.

Joliot-Curie is the husband of Irene Joliot-Curie, who was detained at Ellis Island when she arrived in New York last night to make a series of lectures for the joint Anti-Fascist refugee committee.

The request to bar Communists from the Atomic Energy Council was made by Rightist Col. Philippe Monnet, who was believed to have Joliot-Curie in mind when he spoke.

"Since creation of the committee and the Coup d'Etat in Prague, there is no doubt possible that the Communist party is the agent of a foreign country," Monnet said.

"One would refuse them direction of our general staff. Then why leave them on the atomic research committee?"

Communists yelled "Vichyite, Hitlerite" and the fight started. Order was soon restored.

Tornadoes in

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kitchens, 500 coals and 1,000 blankets. He said many were injured, but an accurate count had not been made.

The reported dead were: Mrs. David Passell, 26, and her 15-month-old daughter, both of whom died when their home at Gillespie collapsed.

Mrs. Ernest M. Hill, 27, and her small daughter at Gillespie. Heyko Bussman, Gillespie.

The dead at Fosterburg were listed as: Louis Hunt, Mrs. Lydia Bruggeman and H. G. Bassel.

At Gillespie, the storm demolished Fosterburg and Bunker Hill. Only two buildings were said to be still standing at Fosterburg and three at Bunker Hill.

At Union, Mo., H. S. Hansen, an insurance agent, said the damage there would amount to about \$200,000. He said all power was cut off west of Union. At least six persons were injured at the Kence Dairy

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Market Report

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NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New Orleans, March 19 — (P)—Cotton futures were irregular here today with the distant positions much stronger than the nears.

Closing prices were steady 95 cents a bale higher to 5 cents lower.

May high 34.10 — low 33.84 — close 33.95-97
July high 33.04 — low 33.43 — close 33.54-55

Oct high 31.30 — low 31.17 — close 31.28-29
Dec high 30.78 — low 30.70 — close 30.74

March high 30.55 — low 30.48 — close 30.55

ST. LOUIS LIVESTOCK
National Stockyards, Ill., March 19 — (P)—Hogs, 7,500; market uneven, weights 230 lbs down and

sows steady to strong; 240 lbs up 25 to 50 or more higher; bulk good and choice 170-240 lbs 23.00-75; top 23.75; 240-270 lbs 21.75-23.00; 270 lbs 21.00-22.00; 13150 lbs 2.25

23; 11 lbs 157519; bulk of sows 45 lbs down 190050 very low 19.75; over 50 lbs 18.25-75; stages 14.00-16.00.

Cattle, 800; calves, 800; mostly medium to low good light weight steers 24.00-26.00; few common at 20.00; medium and good heifers 22.00-24.00; yearlings 22.00-26.00; common and medium beef cows 18.50-21.00; canners and cutters 15.00-18.00; few light heifers 13.00-14.50; medium and good sausage

21.00-23.00; odd head beef 22.50; good and choice veal 27.00-34.00; common and medium 16.00-26.00; market generally steady at classes.

Sheep, 600; market not established; undertone bearish.

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, March 19 — (P)—Cotton futures closed in late dealings at short covering met only limited offerings. New crop deliveries moved up near the day's best level.

Futures closed 20 to 90 cents a bale higher than the previous close.

May high 34.08 — low 32.83 — last 33.97 up 4
July high 33.69 — low 33.4 — last 33.57 up 4

Oct high 31.30 — low 31.20 — last 31.3031 up 13-14
Dec high 30.83 — low 30.68 — last 30.81 up 18

March high 30.58 — low 30.45 — last 30.57 up 14
May high 30.40 — low 30.24 — last 30.30 up 10

Middling spot 34.91N up 5 N-minimal.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS
Chicago, March 19 — (P)—Selling knocked May wheat down a few cents at times on the board of trade today, causing uneasiness in other wheat deliveries. Corn and oats also slumped with trading fairly active.

The selling in May wheat followed trade reports from Kansas City that the commodity credit corporation there was swamped with small quantity offerings of cash wheat. It was said that offerings were believed to run into several million bushels.

Such reports indicated producers might be anxious to sell as a result of improved crop prospects.

Wheat closed unchanged to 3-4 lower. May \$2.33 1-2—\$2.34. Corn was 1-2 lower to 12 higher. May \$2.13—\$2.13 1/2, active contracts were 38—1 1/2 lower.

May 01.11 3-8—1-4, although the gained 1 1/4. Soybeans ended 2 to 4 cents lower, May \$3.42.

Cash wheat slipped lower nominally with futures trading today; basis unchanged; receipts five cars. Corn was within the pre-

Farms, near Jeffriesburg, when June winds blown down.

At St. Louis the winds, which reached 50 miles an hour, caused only minor damage. The roof of a two-story building in suburban overland was torn off but no one was hurt.

At Alton, Ill., 80 persons were said to have been admitted to hospitals for treatment of injuries caused by the storm. Four of them were in critical condition.

Fire Chief Henry Andrews of Gillespie said damage there would exceed \$300,000. A four-room frame house there caught fire during the storm, then blew away.

At Fosterburg, only an overturned automobile remained in the basement of what had been a dwelling.

The Red Cross unit in St. Louis sent a radio telephone car to the Bunker Hill, Ill., area for mobile communication.

At New Athens, Ill., a tornado cut a swath down the main business street, causing about \$10,000 damage to buildings.

At Bonne Terre, Mo., the Missouri highway patrol said 18 persons were injured, three of them critically, and 25 houses destroyed.

Truman Gets Support on Draft Plan

Washington, March 19 — (UP)—Samplings of the House and Senate Armed Service Committee revealed strong support today for President Truman's request for a new draft law.

A check with 27 available members of the 33-man House committee showed 15 favorable to some form of the draft. Only four voted no. The others were "inclined" to ward the draft or still undecided.

Five of the 13 Senate committee members either favored or were inclined toward some form of the draft. Others were out of town or unprepared to commit themselves yet. None, however, was ready to voice flat opposition.

Defense Secretary James Forrestal indicated yesterday that the administration's new Selective Service plan would call for drafting non-veterans between 18 and 25 for a two-year period of service.

Statements by Forrestal and other military leaders revealed a desire to build up the nation's armed strength from its present low of 1,392,000 to 1,963,000 men. Forrestal said the army alone wanted a force of 900,000. It has about 550,000 or 119,000 under its presently authorized strength.

According to best estimates here, Russia's ground force totals about 4,000,000 men, its navy about 200,000 and its air force more than 600,000.

Despite the sympathetic attitudes of the House and Senate committees, the fate of draft legislation will remain in doubt until House Speaker Joseph W. Martin Jr. and other House GOP leaders would make no decision until after the European election in May.

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One House source said Republican leaders also were awaiting public reaction to Mr. Truman's request before making their decision.

Chairman Walter G. Andrews, R., N. Y., said his House Armed Services Committee would take up a draft bill as soon as the administration sends one up — probably next week. Barring any sudden change of sentiment, the committee appeared certain to approve it.

The Senate committee recessed its draft hearings until Monday after hearing from Forrestal and secretaries of army, navy and air force.

No Violence in Italian Political Rally

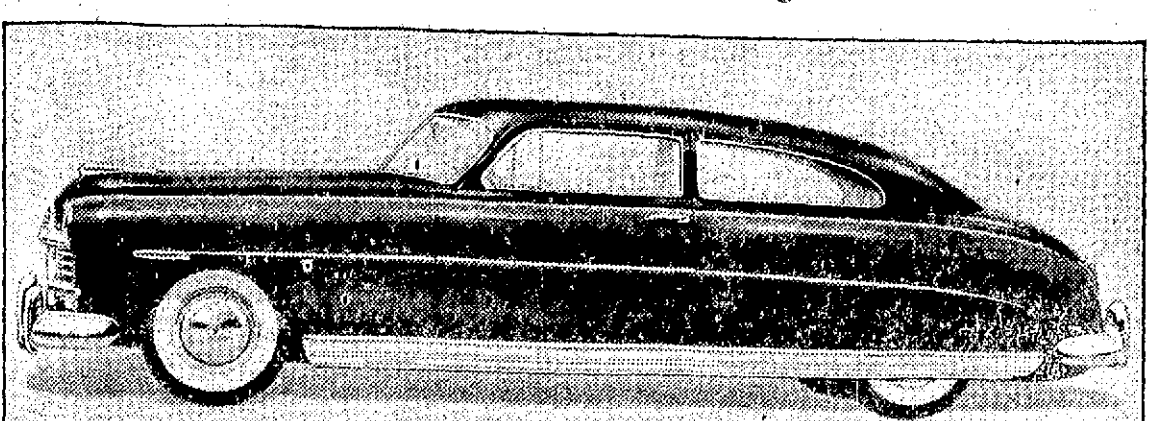
Rome, March 19 (UP)—Rival political rallies of 10,000 clamorous Communists and Fascists in the Piazza Venezia broke up without violence today when a flying squadron of 250 mobile guards roared into the square to reinforce police guards.

The election campaign truce among the political parties tottered dangerously for a time as the Communist and Fascist crowds, gathered 100 yards apart, shouted and jeered at each other.

The meetings were two of a dozen political rallies scheduled in Rome today, with an expected attendance of 100,000.

The Piazza Venezia gatherings of Communists and the Italian Social movement or Fascist group broke up about the time five true loads

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Fact Finders Set Time Limit in Meat Strike

Chicago, March 19 — (P)—President Truman's fact-finding board set a time limit of five more days for presentation of evidence by representatives of packers and the striking CIO union.

The board will hold daily joint meetings with the packers and union leaders until Wednesday noon. Each side will be given 15 hours to present its case, including time allowed for a summation on Wednesday afternoon.

The board, investigating the work stoppage which started Tuesday morning and has slashed the nation's meat production in half,

of Fascist-inclined youths arrived in the big national square. The youths were singing Nationalist songs, and the Communists scattered through the square began shouting at them. The argument was warming up when police jeeps swarmed into the square.

Luigi Longo, Italy's No. 2 Communist, told the leftist stronghold of American aid for Italy "includes American machines and arms unloaded here to be used by Italians against Italians. This kind of aid serves to prepare new wars. I know that all our fathers and mothers are hostile to this kind of help."

As the parliamentary election campaign entered its final month, Communist-led printers of Turin's eight newspapers went on strike. The walkout came 24 hours before a meeting in that leftist stronghold of Count Carlo Scorza and Georges Bidault, the Italian and French foreign ministers, to sign an agreement on a customs union.

Communist newspapers and campaign speakers seized on President Truman's speech as political ammunition. They came up with the slogan, "Truman speaks like Hitler."

The Communist newspaper Unita bannered a picture of smiling Henry A. Wallace with a full report on Wallace's speech in which he said that the Truman address "threatened the life of every human being."

Believes Many British Reds to Bolt Party

London, March 19 — (UP)—Douglas Hyde, resigned editor of the Communist Daily Worker, predicted today that large numbers of British Communists will follow his example and bolt the party because of Soviet policy in Europe.

Hyde announced last night that he had resigned his 20-year membership in the Communist party. He said his wife, who has been an active party member for 10 years and was a feature writer on The Daily Worker, where Hyde worked for eight years, was doing the same.

Hyde said he quit because he

could not agree with Soviet foreign policy.

"I have been, since the end of the war, increasingly disturbed by Russia's foreign policy and by events in Eastern Europe," he said.

"I am appalled by what has happened during recent weeks in Czechoslovakia. The way in which it was done is an indication what may be expected in Italy, France and even Britain should circumstances arise."

He said he thought Catholicism was the answer to the needs of the world.

Hyde, tall, dark and intense, said in an interview at his home at Wimbledon that he thought Communism was on the wane in Britain.

"There is no doubt that many Communists party members are deeply disturbed by the Communist policy question in Eastern Europe and the party's new attitude to production," he said.

"The time is ripe for large scale resignations. Mine is not an isolated case."

"If I, a Communist for 20 years and an executive of the Worker for and past eight years, feel this way, many young people who joined during the war years—and a majority of the party are youngsters—won't take so long as I did to make up their minds."

"They must be finding it extremely difficult to see eye to eye with the shapers of the Communist party policy. My action may result in a landslide. I don't think the prospects for Communism in Britain are very bright."

"I think Communism is likelier to come to this country by way of the Red army rather than by the straight thinking or good generalship of party leaders."

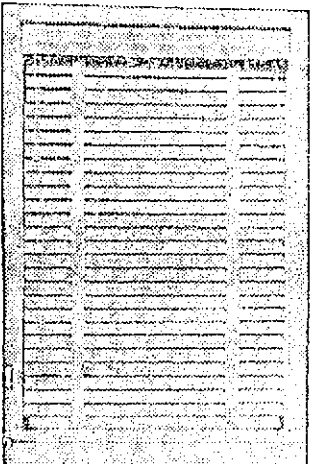
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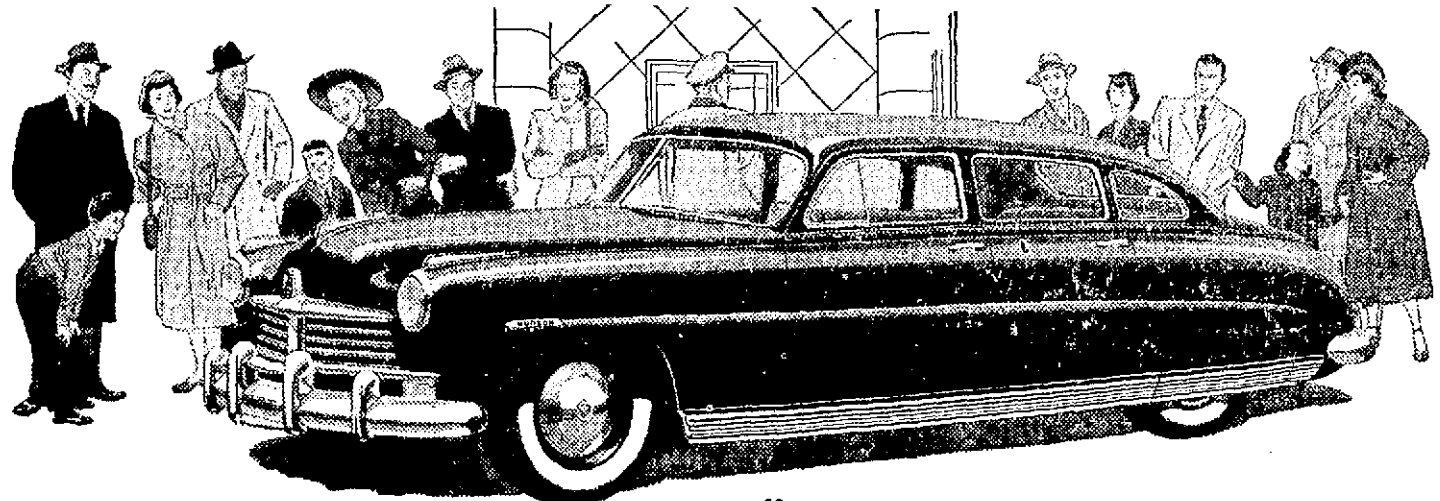
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For Tax Assessor CHARLES MALONE
 GARRETT WILLIS
 J. W. STRICKLAND
 JOHN GORDON PRESCOTT
 CECIL E. WEAVER

Oaklawn Again Features Top Four-Year-Olds

Hot Springs, March 19 — (P) — Sprinters of the four-year-old up division held the spotlight at Oaklawn Park today for the second straight day.

A full field was entered in the featured \$1,300 allowance fifth race for the older sprinters.

Regarded as a standout was God Baby, Mrs. H. S. Katter, today's mare. A handy winner in her last outing, Good Baby had light weight of 102 pounds. Top weighted at 118 pounds were Cammy Stable's Golden Thorn and Graham and Byrum's Night Crawl.

W. H. Bishop's Sir Date scowed his third straight win in the featured mile and sixteenth yesterday. Jockey Harold Keene brought the seven-year-old gelding to the wire a length and a half ahead of M. Smith's Lost and Found.

Gregory's Rick's Raft was third. The winner paid \$9 straight and was timed in 1:45.3.

The Arkansas Racing Commission reported that the first 22 days of the season here had seen 141,335 persons wager \$7,717,013. This compared with 137,506 and \$7,685,067 for the same period last year.

Oaklawn Entries

First race—\$1200; ctmg; 4 yrs up; 1-1/4 mi. Trot. 1:15.5. Nanny x10; Favorite Trap 115; Wary May 110; Free Duet x105; Evelyn Rolls 110; Paprika 113; Grand Fellow 113; Musical Kid 113; Dolomite 113; Tommy Sketch 115; Bossy Vixen 110; May Kay 107; Easy 115; Trader 110; Sweet Kaye 111; Missy Miss 100; Athlon x110. (12-6).

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X-Apprentice allowance.

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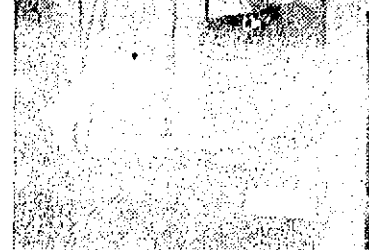
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Jonesboro Gets Nod Over Hope Junior Five

By JOHN McLEOD

A fighting Hope junior quintet coupled a fast-breaking, aggressive offense with a tight, alert defense to edge past Smackover 23-21 on the Bucharoos' home court and advance to the quarter-finals of the State Junior Boys tournament.

In taking their 12th consecutive victory of the season, the junior Bobcats earned the right to play perennial strong Jonesboro today in the second round of the State Tournament to be held at Little Rock in the first round of Jonesboro slaughtered Augusta 62-39.

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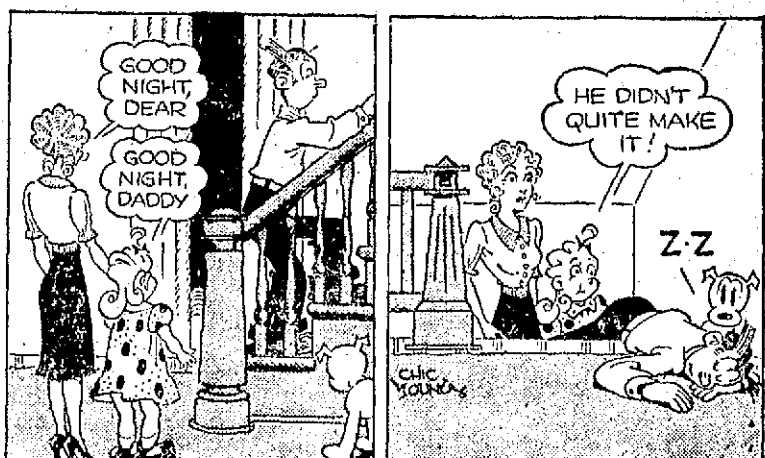
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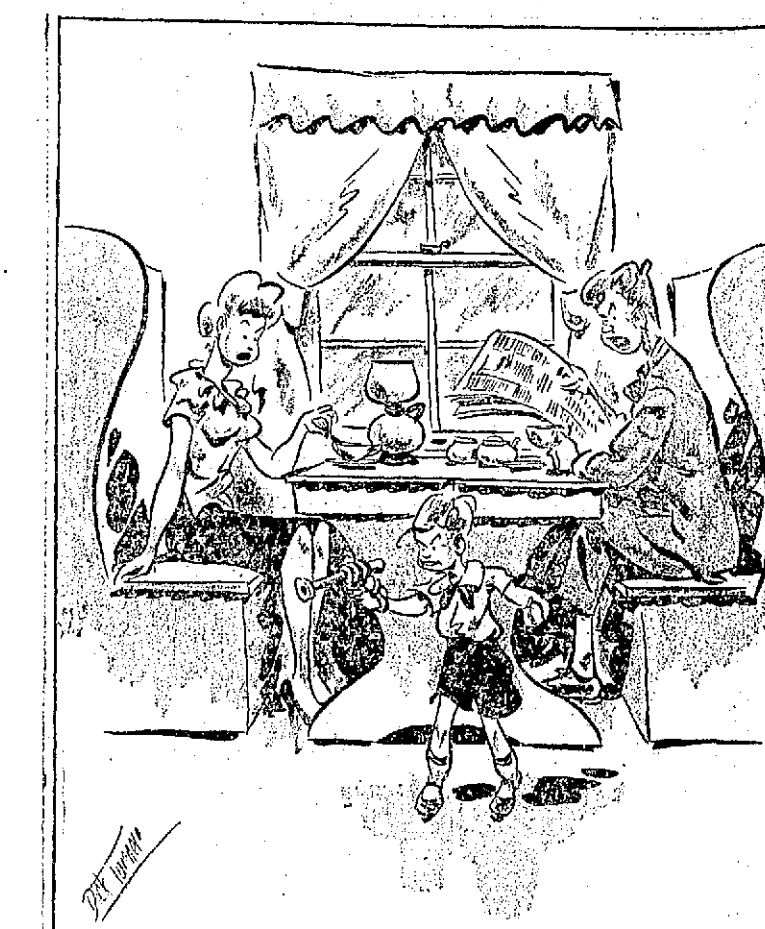
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By Galbraith

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Kids don't realize what parents suffer for them! Think of all the weird breakfasts we ate just so he'd have enough boxtops to send for that gadget!"

By Hershberger

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

By Blosser

I HAD A WIRE FROM LARD. HILDA! THE TEAM PLAYS ITS FIRST GAME TODAY!

WHAT DOES THE BIG BASKET-BALL STAR HAVE TO SAY?

HE SAYS - *EXPEDITION LANDED SAFELY- EVERYTHING UNDER CONTROL- WILL KNOCK OFF FIRST CHUMPS THIS A.F.* HE SIGNS IT, *CHAMPS TO BE *

NOTHING LIKE HAVING CONFIDENCE IN JUST HOW THE BOYS DON'T HAVE TOO MUCH.

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LISTEN TO THAT CROWD! GOSH!

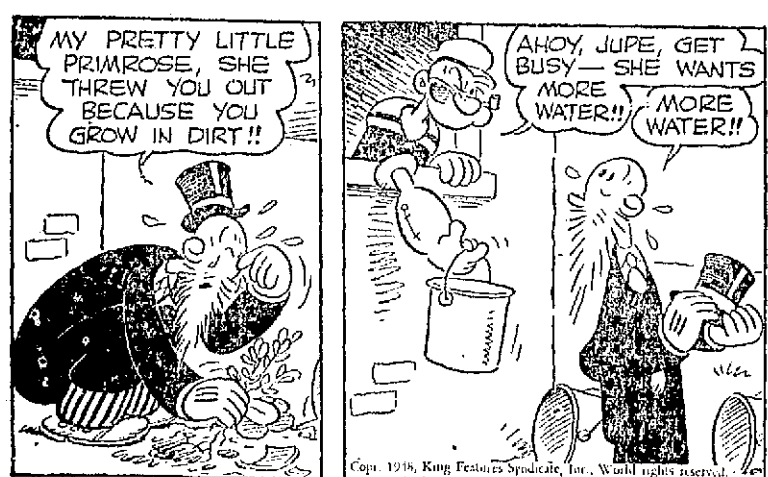
GO ON IN LARD! YOU SCARED OR SOMETHING?

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

ME TOO!

"And remember, girls, the best ten years of a woman's life are between 28 and 30!"

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With Major Hoople



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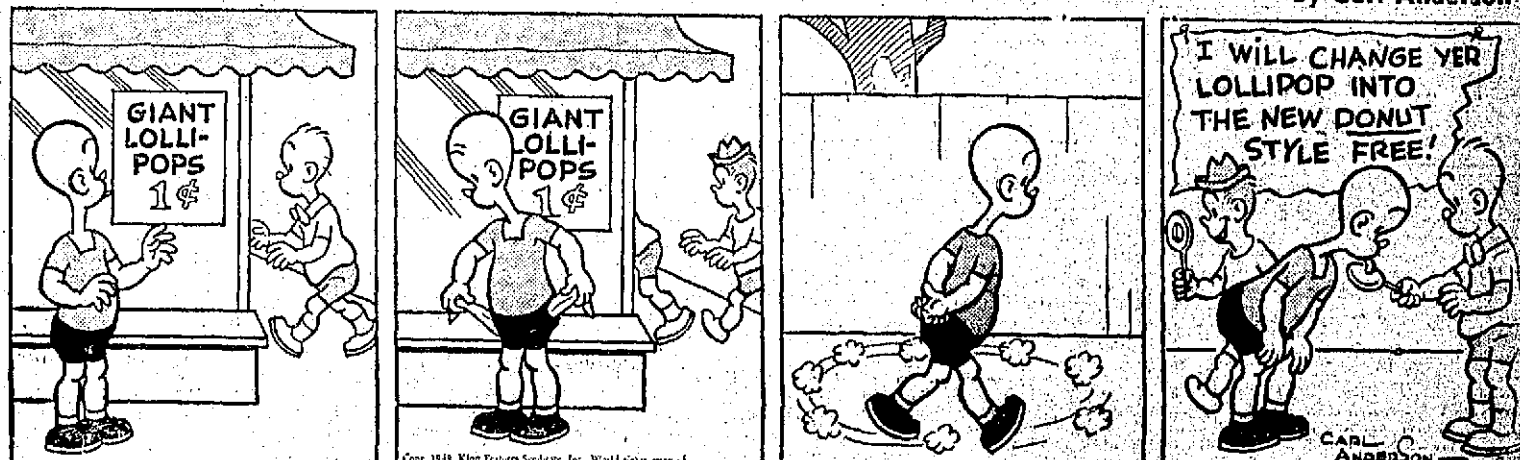
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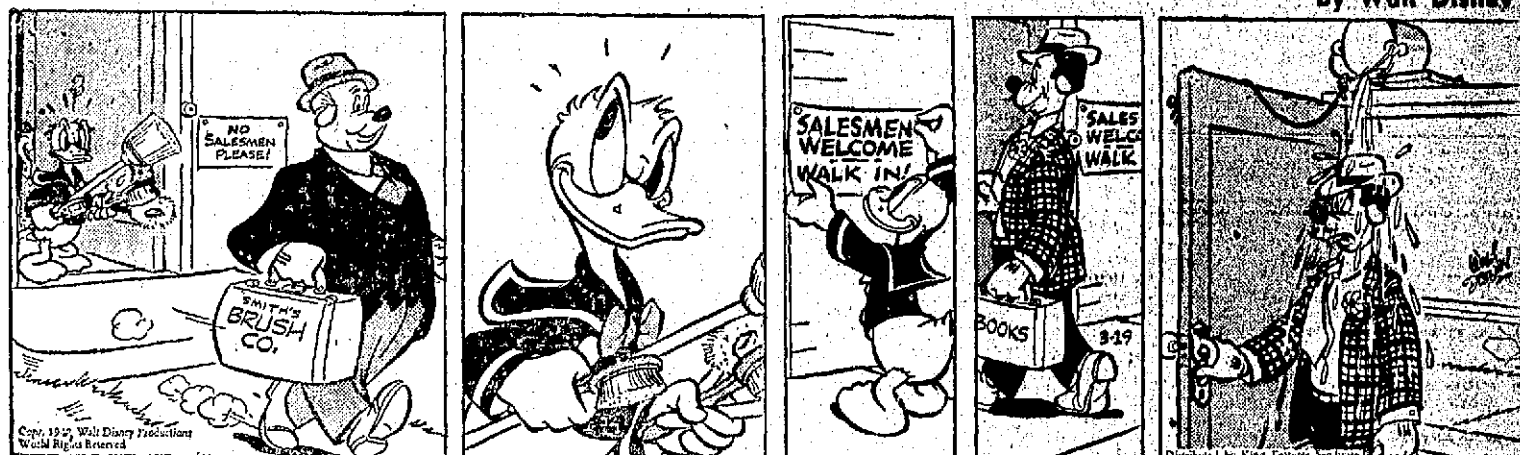
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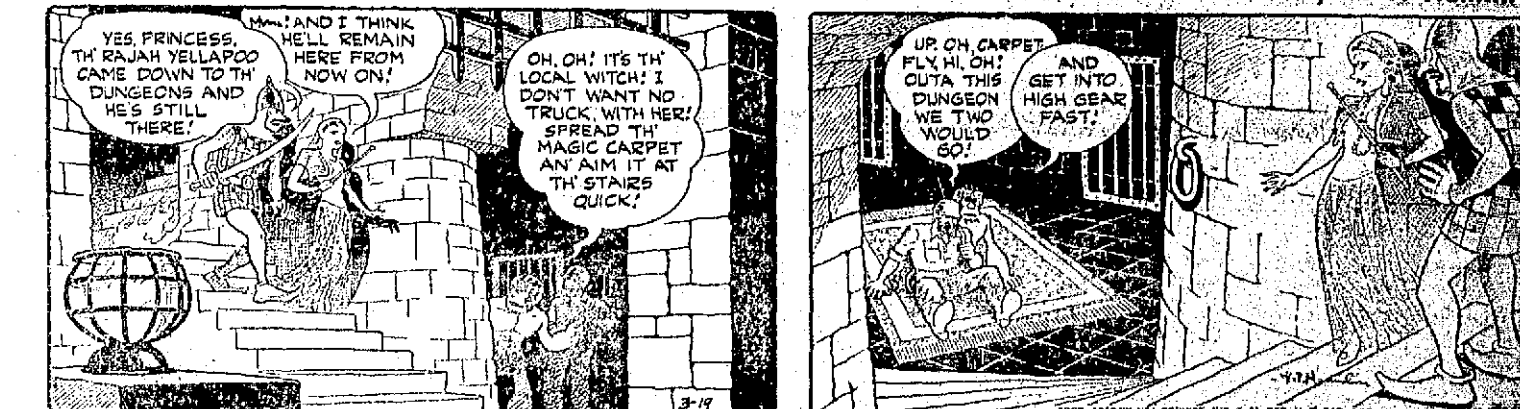
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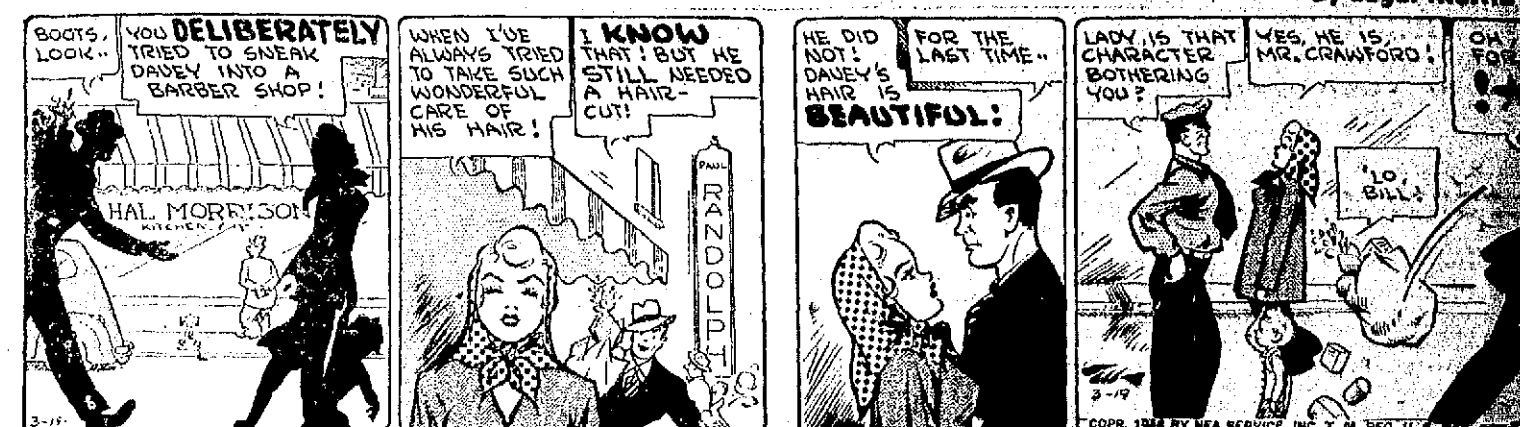
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Daring Romance Co-Stars Ray Milland and Marlene Dietrich

'Golden Earrings' Opens Sunday at Saenger

A film romance very much on the daring side is in the offing for patrons of the Saenger Theater, beginning Sunday. Paramount's "Golden Earrings" makes its appearance with co-stars Ray Milland and Marlene Dietrich.

According to word received via the movie grapevine, the love story of the seductive gypsy and the British man-of-the-world is definitely off the beaten film path. Based on Yolanda Foides' best-selling novel of the same name, "Golden Earrings" concerns the adventures of a top-ranking British officer who is eluding his Nazi pursuers in the European forests, comes upon a Hungarian gypsy woman, and then proceeds to help him, disguised as a gypsy, complete with pierced ears and stained skin, and then proceeds to make him fall in love with her. Considering the fact that her ragged, unkempt appearance is offensive to the fastidious Englishman, the ultimate accomplishment of her purpose is a monumental achievement.

The role of the courageous, flaming gypsy woman marks the return of Miss Dietrich to films after a long absence during which she devoted herself to the entertainment of G.I.s the world over. It is a role into which an actress can get her teeth, which is exactly what the talented Marlene wanted. The lovely star is determined to eschew strictly glamour roles and concentrate on those which call for dramatic depth. The part of Lydia in "Golden Earrings" is one such, and report has it that Miss Dietrich does a magnificent job.

Appearing in support of the two stars are newcomers Murvyn Vye, an excellent baritone who had top singing parts in the stage hits, "Carousel" and "Oklahoma," Bruce Lester, Reinhold Schunzel, Dennis Hoey, author-commentator Quentin Reynolds, who is seen as himself.

In addition to Vye, Miss Dietrich also does a bit of singing—gypsy tunes and a new song, "Golden Earrings," music by the men who wrote "To Each His Own." Jay Livingston and Ray Evans.

Mitchell Leisen directed.

PSC Studies Bell Relation to Parent Firm

Little Rock, March 18 —(P)—The hearing on the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's request for a rate increase in Arkansas is in recess.

The hearing was continued late yesterday for an unspecified later date by the Arkansas Public Service Commission. The company is seeking an estimated annual rate increase of \$1,800,000 in this state.

The company presented all its direct testimony at the first three days of the hearing. Its witnesses will be cross-examined at resumption of the hearing. At that time testimony of some 20 protesting clerks will be heard.

D. E. Barber, Little Rock, Southwestern division sales representative, was the final company witness. He told the company the increase is based on the number of telephones in service last December 31.

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The American Telephone and Telegraph Company owns all of Southwestern's common stock. It receives one and a half per cent of Southwestern's gross revenues in return for engineering and research services.

This arrangement was outlined at length by C. J. Vande Steeg, Southwestern area engineer. He declared that the payments were justified by the services rendered.

Vande Steeg said Southwestern did not have the staffs and staffs to engage in research such as undertaken by the A. T. & T. The results of this research means heavy savings for Southwestern, he said.

The length of Vande Steeg's testimony was protested by commission counsel but Chairman Charles C. Wine replied:

"The relationship between the two companies seems to have been an important point in similar cases in other states, and I think Southwestern should have an opportunity to attempt to justify fully its payments to A. T. & T."

The commission probably will have some questions to ask on the point on gross examination.

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Explosion in Tavern Leaves Six Dead

Centralia, Ill., March 18 —(UP)—The death toll in a series of explosions that shattered a tavern rose to six today and authorities feared that 10 more persons were trapped, and probably dead, in the wreckage.

Twenty-three persons were injured when the blasts demolished a two-story building housing the tavern, a pool hall and two upstairs apartments.

Two bodies were recovered shortly after the explosions. Three others were brought out early today by searchers who picked their way through the rubble as firemen played water on the heap.

Mrs. Frank Nichols, who lived with her husband in one of the apartments, died at St. Mary's hospital. She had been blown out of the building. Her husband was injured.

The explosion, of unknown origin, also wrecked a tavern next door to the frame and brick structure. Fire broke out immediately and spread extensively.

Sheriff "Dip" Woolfright said it was difficult to determine exactly how many still were trapped in the wreckage but "from estimates we have of how many were in there, we figure maybe 10 to 15 persons are still under there."

"We can see people in there, but we can't get at them and we don't hear them screaming any more," he said. "I don't see how any of them can be alive. Any who weren't killed by the blast probably burned to death in the fire that followed."

The tragedy shocked this town one year after a terrific explosion rumbled through Centralia Mine No. 5 and killed 111 miners on March 25, 1947.

Some of those waiting for word of friends and relatives today also stood the same vigil outside the mine a year ago.

Mayor H. B. Blanchard said no one would have been killed or injured if the explosion had occurred one week later. All taverns and places of amusement would have been closed in commemoration of the mine blast.

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By the Associated Press

Henry A. Wallace stuck to his peace-with-Russia guns today as he prepared to fire a fresh salvo in his word war with President Truman.

The third party presidential candidate lined up his second radio address in two days (8:15 p. m. EST-Mutual) (7:15 p. m. CST), this does not answer specifically the president's denunciation of "Wallace and his Communists."

The ousted cabinet member made no direct reference to the remark in a talk last night challenging Mr. Truman's St. Patrick's Day call for greater military strength to reassure free peoples against Soviet domination.

But politicians said the Wallace speech left little doubt he is beginning to chafe under the president's line of attack.

They noted Wallace's complaint that "men who are stirring up hate and fear" are trafficking in a single word.

"That word is 'Communism,'" he said. "They hope that it will provoke a hostile response from great masses of the people. They think that it is capable of blotting out reason."

"But you can't fool most of the people any of the time. We know that ideas won't be licked with guns. We know that millions of soldiers won't cure the social and economic conditions which turn many of the peoples of the world to Socialist and Communist parties."

Wallace said many Americans "rightfully believe that a draft and compulsory military training are not the way to preserve freedom at home or to guarantee democracy abroad."

Another presidential aspirant took issue with Mr. Truman's latest foreign policy pronouncements, but for an entirely different reason.

Chow Call



Tom Brouillette, Waterville, N. Y., 4-H Club member, plays nursemaid to some of a litter of 10 pigs born to one of his sows. The mother is kept away from her youngsters because of her bad disposition.

Harold E. Stassen told a Cleveland audience yesterday that the United States should have sided for (a) outlawing the Communist party, (b) a halt to all "war machinery" shipments to Russia, (c) a stronger air force and (d) steps to strengthen the United Nations.

U.S. to Stand Firm But Keep 'Door Open'

Berkeley, Cal., March 18 —(UP)—Secretary of State George C. Marshall said today that the United States policy was to stand firm on its basic principles "but at the same time keep the door wide open for any general conciliatory moves."

He said that the world situation never has "been more threatening to our ideals and interests than at the present."

"We are sincerely anxious to find a sound basis for reaching agreement which will terminate once and for all the present dangerous situation," he said. "We shall continue to do everything possible to reach an agreement."

"But until such time as a real settlement can be reached, however, it must be our policy to discourage and to oppose further encouragement on the rights and lives of free peoples."

Marshall said the situation in Europe was "disturbingly similar" to the time when he was army chief of staff before World War II.

"A depressing aspect of the situation is the duplication in Europe of the high-handed and calculated procedure of the Nazi regime," Marshall said in a speech delivered during charter week celebration at the University of California.

Marshall pleaded for prompt action of the European recovery program. But he warned Italy that it would forfeit benefits of the ERP if it voted Communist in next month's elections.

In an address which he recalled his original formulation of the European recovery program June 9, 1947, at Harvard University, Marshall said such actions as the newly-signed alliance of Great Britain, France and the Benelux countries "demand our cooperation and assistance."

"This government would have to conclude that Italy had removed itself from the benefits of the European recovery program."

Marshall said that the speed with which Communist parties took control in Czechoslovakia, Hungary and elsewhere, "demonstrates the initial advantage of dictators in dealing with democracies such as ours."

He accused a "small group of men, possibly a dozen," with most-

Beery Accuser Asks for Another Lawyer

Los Angeles, March 18 —(P)—Charging that Wallace Beery has offered her \$2,000 to defame the paternity issue in her suit, Gloria Schumm, movie bit player, has petitioned Superior Court to change her lawyers.

She alleges that Joseph L. Fairer, who has been representing her in her suit against the movie actor, transmitted the \$2,000 offer with the proviso that the question of paternity be deferred "until some indefinite future time."

Maurice Ross, who she wishes to retain as her counsel, told the court she is penniless, that she objects to further delay, and is seeking relief from a charitable institution.

Mrs. Schumm claims Beery is the father of her five-week-old son, Johan Richard Wallace Schumm but has paid nothing for the birth, support and maintenance.

Here and There in Arkansas

Fort Worth, Tex., March 19 —(P)—A mighty field of schoolboy tracksters start the twenty-fifth annual southwestern Recreation meet on its way today.

Close to 900 athletes from Texas and Oklahoma move into preliminaries in 14 events this afternoon while some 500 university, college and junior college entries stand by for the battles tomorrow.

The university class has eight teams—Texas, Texas A. and M., Oklahoma A. and M., Baylor, Southern Methodist, Arkansas, Texas, Christian and Texas Tech.

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This group no alerted, "quickly and conclusively determines the action to be taken on a large scale throughout Europe, and everything is coordinated with that decision."

"The absolute control of the press, the domination of the people, the conduct of the skilful campaign of propaganda, the complete misrepresentation of the attitude and purposes of any country opposed to the procedure,—all is arbitrarily decided upon."

"Our decisions, our actions in regard to these developments are of great importance. We have an acknowledged position of leadership in the world. The character and strength of our leadership may well be decisive in the present situation."

"We cannot evade the issue by the negative procedure of inaction. By so doing we would vacate our dominant position of leadership and thereby revert to a secondary role—a role which inevitably would deprive each of us of those American principles of freedom and justice we have always upheld by every means available."

"It should now be perfectly clear that rule based on threats and force instead of on reason and justice must not be allowed to spread further unchecked."

Marshall put chief emphasis on Europe by said that "critical situations" exist in the Middle East, Indonesia and China and that the United States "cannot ignore Latin America or our direct responsibilities in Japan and Korea."

Finns Not Likely to Stave Off Friendship, Military Agreement With Russia

By SIGRID ARNE
For DEWITT MACKENZIE

Early next week a committee of Finns will sit down in the Kremlin to hear what kind of pact Stalin wants them to write with the Soviets.

He has already notified the little northern republic that he wants more than a piece of friendship. He wants to talk about a military pact.

The idea of a military pact kicked up immediate protest in Finland. Only the Communist-run Popular front approved the treaty.

Whether the Finns can stave off any agreement which binds them closely to Russia's future is a matter of great anxiety in Washington and in other western capitals.

Finns with the Kremlin often in the past three years have been merely a prelude to Communist overtures of the home government. Czechoslovakia was the last victim of such turmoil.

Finland experts in Washington think the little nation will be more difficult than some of its southern neighbors for Stalin to force into any pact it doesn't want.

They point first to the traditionally tough courage of the Finnish people.

And they talk of the more practical matter of what Stalin could do to Finland in retaliation for a refusal.

Finns Stalin could deny the Finns the Russian wheat which they must have. But to that one Washington official said: "No doubt the western world will be able to dig up whatever wheat the Finns need if it's necessary."

Or the Red Armies could invade Finland again, as they did in 1939. But that would be war, and there is general agreement that the Soviets do not want war now.

Further the Russians would have to remember that after their 1939 attack on Finland they were expelled from the League of Nations. History could repeat itself in similar action by the United Nations, and the Russians appeal to join their U. N. membership to their advantage.

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